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1. IN INITIAL INTERVIEW WITH NEW LABOR ATTACHE J.A GROBBELAAR, GENERAL SECRETARY OF TUCSA, IN COMMENTING ON NEW MINISTER OF LABOR FANIE BOTHA EXPRESSED SOME CONSTERNATION OVER APPOINTMENT OF INDIVIDUAL WITH NO RPT NO FAMILIARITY WITH LABOR SCENE. GROBBELAAR SAID HE KNEW "NOTHING AT ALL" ABOUT NEW MINISTER AND HAD BEEN UNABLE TO LEARN VERY MUCH FROM HIS CONTACTS IN LABOR FIELD. INsofar AS GROBBELAAR HAD BEEN ABLE TO DETERMINE, BOTHA HAD NEVER EXPRESSED ANY STRONG OPINION ON ANY SUBJECT IN EITHER ECONOMIC OR POLITICAL FIELD ASIDE FROM WATER AND FORESTRY (HIS PREVIOUS PORTFOLIOS). GROBBELAAR SAYS HE HAS MEETING SCHEDULED WITH NEW MINISTER ON FEBRUARY 12 AND MAY HAVE A BETTER IDEA OF HIS CALIBER AFTER THAT MEETING.

2. ASKED WHY HE GHOUGHT SAG HAD PICKED THIS PARTICULAR INDIVIDUAL FOR A POST WHICH SAG IN THE PAST HAS GIVEN EVERY INDICATION OF REGARDING AS SENSITIVE, GROBBELAAR SAID SPECULATION ON THIS SUBJECT WAS RIFE IN TRADE UNION CIRCLES, BUT NOBODY HAD ANY FIRM IDEAS. HE
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FELT IT POSSIBLY INDICATED GOVERNMENT INTENDED SOME NEW

INITIATIVES IN LABOR FIELD AND WANTED RELATIVE NONENTITY AS
"FALL GUY" IF INITIATIVES BACKFIRED. HE QUICKLY ADDED, HOWEVER,
THAT THIS WAS SHEER SPECULATION.
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